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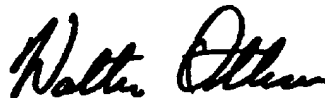
Claim 1 is cancelled and claims 8 and 9 are added.
Claims 2, 3, 6 and 7 are amended. Claims 2 to 9 are pending in this application of which only claims 3 and 7 are in independent form.

Claims 3, 4, 5 and 7 were objected to only as being dependent from a rejected base claim. Accordingly, claims 3 and 7 are amended herein to incorporate therein all the features and limitations of claim 1 from which they each had directly depended so that these claims should now be allowable. Claims 2 and 4 to 6 are all dependent from claim 3 so that they too should now be allowable.

Claims 8 and 9 correspond to claims 2 and 6, respectively, and have been added as claims dependent from claim 7 so that they too should now be allowable.

The application should now be in condition for allowance.

Respectfully submitted,



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